

September 29, 1987

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Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Ms. Wanda C. Ostrom
Box 103
Kootenai, ID 83840

LNM/WJB/ckb
LNM-2

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Room 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Norman:

Thank you for your very nice letter and your kind words of support and confidence.

I thoroughly enjoyed our visit in California and our conversations since then, and, needless to say I am looking forwarding to reading Bill Cosby's new book, Time Flies -- just hope I can find the time.

Thanks again for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Norman R. Brokaw
Co-Chairman of the Board
William Morris Agency, Inc.
151 El Camino Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90212

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Book is with HHB

September 29, 1987

Dear Sandy:

Thank you for your letter of June 15 concerning State and local laws which threaten American companies with loss of local government contracts, or with formal divestment of shares held by State and local pension funds, as a sanction against their conducting business in countries such as South Africa, the Soviet Union, and Northern Ireland.

I can assure you that we share your concern about certain types of State and local statutes and ordinances which have the actual or intended effect of effectuating foreign policies different from that of the United States. Your letter suggested a number of steps that could be taken at this time to ensure that the Federal government, not the States, establishes and conducts our Nation's foreign policy. In fact, several of these steps are now being considered. Your letter was, therefore, most timely.

I appreciate your setting forth the concerns of your members on this issue. The arguments and facts arrayed so articulately in your letter will help make the case for an active role for the Executive branch in making State and local officials aware of the primacy of the Federal government in the foreign policy arena. I hope we can count upon your continued interest in this matter, and your support.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Alexander B. Trowbridge
President
National Association of Manufacturers
North Lobby, Suite 1500
1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Mick:

Thanks for your note; it was good to hear from you. I appreciated receiving your report on the Persian Gulf situation, and I'll share it with the appropriate people.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Mick Arnold
Heath End House
1 Montague Gardens
Petersfield
Hampshire GU31 4DT
England

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB
Mr. Carlucci, with incoming

September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Wagner:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker inviting him to address the Opening Session of the Southern Republican Leadership Conference in February 1988.

I hope you'll understand that a definite answer this far in advance is not possible. If you would like to send a follow-up invitation closer to the date of the event, we will be happy to give it every consideration.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

The Honorable Bryan Wagner
Chairman
Southern Republican
Leadership Conference
Post Office Box 15706
New Orleans, LA 70175-5706

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, Room 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Pearman:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker inviting him to speak at the graduation ceremonies for Leadership Roane County in April 1988.

I hope you'll understand that a definite answer this far in advance is not possible. If you would like to send a follow-up invitation closer to the date of the event, we will be happy to give it every consideration.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Joel E. Pearman
431 Devonia Street
Harriman, TN 37748-2087

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, Room 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Dr. Lengle:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker inviting him to be a speaker in the Walsh Lectureship in American politics at Georgetown University in March 1988.

I hope you'll understand that a definite answer this far in advance is not possible. If you would like to send a follow-up invitation closer to the date of the event, we will be happy to give it every consideration.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Dr. James Lengle
Chairman, Walsh Lecture Committee
Department of Government
Georgetown University
Washington, DC 20057-0001

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, Room 61 OEGB

September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Overbey and Ms. Schriver:

Thank you for your message inviting the Chief of Staff to be the keynote speaker at the Knoxville Convention and Visitors Bureau annual membership luncheon.

Your invitation is appreciated, but the heavy demands of Mr. Baker's schedule make it impossible for him to accept. However, he asked me to thank you for your kindness and send you his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. James M. Overbey
Ms. Ginger Schriver
Knoxville Area Council for
Conventions and Visitors
Post Office Box 15012
Knoxville, TN 37901

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, Room 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Guillemette:

Thank you for your kind invitation. I am honored that you would think of asking me to address the National Young Leaders Conference.

Regrettably, the heavy demands of my schedule have forced me to decline. Please know, however, that you have my best wishes for a successful conference.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Lawrence F. Guillemette, Jr.
Conference Director
Congressional Youth Leadership Council
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Washington, DC 20005

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Ms. Mayer:

Thank you for your message inviting the Chief of Staff to address the Johnstown Educational Foundation's dinner to honor Paul E. Lego.

Your invitation is appreciated, but the heavy demands of Mr. Baker's schedule make it impossible for him to accept. However, he asked me to thank you for your kindness and send you his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Ms. Pamela J. Mayer
Publisher
The Tribune-Democrat
Post Office Box 340
Johnstown, PA 15907-0340

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Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. B. B. Burcham
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Chattanooga, TN 37404

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Room 61 OEOB

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Dear Mr. Hilton:

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Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Stanley G. Hilton
Post Office Box 27575
San Francisco, CA 94127

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Room 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Arnaud:

Thank you very much for forwarding me the premier issue of The Washington Times in its new format. I'm just now getting used to the revised layout, so permit me to defer any comments or recommendations for possible improvement to a later date.

I thoroughly enjoyed our luncheon, and I was glad to escape with all my skin -- I think!

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Arnaud de Borchgrave
Editor-In-Chief
The Washington Times
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Washington, D.C. 20002

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Schnyder:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

The Administration will insist on removal of the Senate provision during the House-Senate conference on the trade bill. Contrary to the reported objectives of trade legislation, mandatory advance notice would make American industry less competitive, not more.

In his most recent letter to the Senate on this legislation, the Secretary of Labor stated that inclusion of any mandatory plant closing provisions would make it impossible for the President's senior advisors to recommend approval of a trade bill.

Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. W. J. Schnyder
Director of Engineering
Hermetic/Appliance
Emerson Motor Division
Emerson Motor Technology Center
12301 Missouri Bottom Road
Hazelwood, MO 63042

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cc: Lorraine Camaramo - Rm. 61 - OEOP
#Trade Bill

September 21, 1987

Dear VnameV:

September 29, 1987

Dear Joseph:

Thanks for sending along the advance copy of Bill's Labor Day report. Obviously, I couldn't agree more. The economy is performing very well. As the President keeps reminding us, we are experiencing economic growth and a decline in unemployment without rekindling inflation -- contrary to the old "Phillips curve" point of view.

You might send Bill a copy of the President's competitiveness initiative, which includes a new program to help retrain and relocate workers displaced by sectoral changes in the economy. From his piece, I think he would approve.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Joseph Kingsbury-Smith
The Hearst Newspapers
1701 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Ray:

Thank you for your letter of July 28. As I'm sure you know, the President signed H.R. 27 despite the serious concerns he had about some of its provisions and the extraneous amendments that were piggy-backed onto it. He went forward on the assurance that Congress will be revisiting these issues in the near term, and will address them in the comprehensive reform bill to be presented to him early next year.

We've obviously made some progress, but a great deal remains to be accomplished.

It was good to hear from you and have the benefit of your perspective.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Ray U. Tanner
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Jackson National Bank
Post Office Box 549
Jackson, TN 38302-0549

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Don:

Thank you for your letter concerning the Environmental Protection Agency's rulemaking on onboard controls for gasoline vapors released during vehicle refueling. I appreciate your comments on the results of the Ford Motor Company study of the 20 "worst case" cities with regard to ozone attainment, the Multinational Business Services costs study, and the National Highway and Traffic Safety Administration statement on safety implications.

As you know, the EPA is in the early stages of its proposed rulemaking on onboard controls. The notice of EPA's refueling emissions proposal was published in the Federal Register on August 19, 1987, for public comment. A public hearing on the proposal has been scheduled for the last week of October 1987, to be followed by an additional 30-day public comment period.

It is my hope that you participate in the EPA rulemaking so that the agency has the benefit of your views prior to any rulemaking decisions. The Administrative Procedure Act requires that EPA base its final rulemaking on the administrative record it assembles from the public comment periods and from the public hearing, and your concerns and testimony could become a vital part of this administrative record. In addition, I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to Lee Thomas, EPA Administrator, for his consideration.

Again, thank you for your views on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Donald E. Petersen
Chairman of the Board
Ford Motor Company
Post Office Box 1899
Dearborn, MI 48121

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Dr. Smith:

Thank you for your message requesting a meeting with Senator Baker to discuss a new energy source.

I am sorry this must be a disappointing response, but the heavy demands of Mr. Baker's schedule make it impossible to comply with your request. However, please know that he appreciates your interest and sends you his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Dr. Scudder Smith
400 Meadowbrook Drive
Culpeper, VA 22701

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Room 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Sam:

Thank you for your very kind letter. I'm delighted to hear that you're doing well and that you're still a firm and vocal supporter of the President.

I'm more than happy to forward to you the tie-clasp and pen which you requested, and I've taken the liberty of adding some cuff-links as well as a stick-pin for Betty. You certainly deserve more than these few items for all your years of dedicated service to the party, the President and our nation.

Stay well! Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Samuel L. Devine
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEGB

Enclosure: Ronald Reagan tie clasp, pen, cuff-links,
and stick-pin

September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. McClintic:

Thank you for your letter of September 8 reiterating the invitation to Senator Baker to attend the Foundation's National Steering committee gathering which took place on September 22.

I'm sorry that he was unable to be with you. The heavy demands of his schedule oftentimes make it impossible for him to accept invitations to events he would truly enjoy. Please know that he appreciates your thinking of him on this occasion and sends you his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Howard G. McClintic
Executive Director
The Jefferson Energy Foundation
Suite 202
CPB Building
1111 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Ms. Goodman:

On behalf of the Chief of Staff, I want to thank you for your message.

Although Senator Baker is unable to respond to your request for an autographed bookplate for Howard Baker's Washington, if you would like to send him the book itself, he will be delighted to autograph it for you.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Ms. Norma M. Goodman
3817 Persimmon Circle
Fairfax, VA 22031

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Thank you for your letter of September 18. I appreciate your interest in writing.

You have a very impressive resume, and I'm sure you will do well in your search for a position with a law firm. Since I am no longer associated with Vinson and Elkins, I am not in a position to take action on your request. However, I've taken the liberty of forwarding your resume to the firm for their attention.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Brownie Lewis
Apartment 26
223 Cedar Avenue, South
Minneapolis, MN 55454

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

bcc: Ms. Lee Fulton with incoming
Vinson and Elkins

September 29, 1987

Dear Heather:

Thank you so much for your letter recommending Patricia Goldman for appointment as the Secretary .. of Transportation.

I appreciate having the benefit of your observations, which I have shared with the Office of Presidential Personnel. Please be assured Ms. Goldman will receive every consideration as deliberations continue in the selection process for this important post.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Heather J. Gradison
Chairman
Interstate Commerce Commission
Washington, D.C. 20423

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
Katja Bullock with incoming

September 29, 1987

Dear Bill:

Thank you very much for your recent letter regarding the desirability of exporting natural gas from Alaska to Japan.

As you know very well, the President believes in the importance of a free market in oil and gas. In fact, the recent TAGs study was prompted by the President and Prime Minister Nakasone.

I would like to take this opportunity to clear up a misconception about what the Economic Policy Council decided. The Canadian Government requested that the Administration enter into consultations with them regarding the potential effects of the TAGs project on the ANGTS project. The Council unanimously agreed that we should honor the Canadian request.

Thus, the Council will defer any recommendation to the President on a finding until our consultations are completed. The Council wants to make sure the President has all the relevant information, including a fair understanding of the Canadian position, before making any decisions.

We expect the consultations to be completed early this fall, and the Council will then forward the issue to the President for his decision.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable William P. Clark
Rogers & Wells
1737 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Mrs. Horner:

Thank you for sharing with me a description of your proposed long-term care insurance program for Federal employees and retirees.

I understand that the issue has been taken up by the Domestic Policy Council's Working Group on Health Policy, and that following the advice of that group, you have met with representatives of agencies with objections to parts of your proposal. Once your redrafted legislative proposal has gone through the interagency review process it should be ready for transmittal to the Congress.

I trust this process will produce a product satisfactory to you and to Senator Wilson.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Constance Horner
Director
Office of Personnel Management
Washington, D.C. 20415

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Waller:

Thank you for your letter of September 3. As you requested, I'm enclosing the inscribed and autographed photo of the President for Officer Ed Wendlenner. I hope he enjoys it.

It was wonderful to be with the President in California among so many friends and supporters. I'll look forward to hearing from you again very soon.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Waller Taylor II
Suite 1000
523 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90014

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Enclosure: Autographed photo of the President

September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Phillips:

Thank you for presenting me with the inscribed copy of Kiwanis 88 - Building for Others. It will be a fine addition to my personal library.

It is wonderful to hear of the good work of the Kiwanis in my home state, and I urge you to press on with your commitment to improving the quality of life for everyone.

Again, I appreciate your thoughtfulness and send my best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. John B. Phillips, Jr.
President
The Kiwanis Club
Radisson Read House
827 Broad Street
Chattanooga, TN 37402

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
Tom Griuscom with copy of incoming

September 29, 1987

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your message expressing support for the President's nomination of Judge Robert H. Bork to the position of Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

President Reagan believes Judge Bork to be a man of the highest integrity and qualification as well as an eloquent and powerful advocate of judicial restraint, a philosophy whose guiding principle is that it is the legislature's role to enact laws and the court's role to interpret them.

In making the nomination, the President stated:

Judge Bork is recognized as a premier Constitutional authority. His outstanding intellect and unrivaled scholarly credentials are reflected in his thoughtful examination of the broad, fundamental, legal issues of our times. . . . We're fortunate to be able to draw upon such an impressive legal mind; an experienced judge and a man who already has devoted so much of his life to public service. He'll bring credit to the Court and his colleagues, as well as to his country and the Constitution.

The American Bar Association gave Judge Bork its highest rating -- "exceptionally well qualified" -- when he was confirmed by the Senate as an Appellate Judge in 1982. President Reagan is confident that the current Senate confirmation process will be equally successful and he looks forward to Judge Bork beginning a long and distinguished career as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Gene P. Fleck II
and Friends
1007-A 35th Street
Altoona, PA 16601

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

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Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Helen E. Marcou
909 Third Avenue
New Kensington, PA 15068

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Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Glenn C. Hamilton
1318 Prescott Street
Marinette, WI 54143

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

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Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold F. Paul
1209 Barbara Ann
Kerrville, TX 78028

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Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. David J. O'Neil
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cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 29, 1987

Dear Ms. Buchanan:

Thank you for your message expressing support for the President's nomination of Judge Robert H. Bork to the position of Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

President Reagan believes Judge Bork to be a man of the highest integrity and qualification as well as an eloquent and powerful advocate of judicial restraint, a philosophy whose guiding principle is that it is the legislature's role to enact laws and the court's role to interpret them.

In making the nomination, the President stated:

Judge Bork is recognized as a premier Constitutional authority. His outstanding intellect and unrivaled scholarly credentials are reflected in his thoughtful examination of the broad, fundamental, legal issues of our times. . . . We're fortunate to be able to draw upon such an impressive legal mind; an experienced judge and a man who already has devoted so much of his life to public service. He'll bring credit to the Court and his colleagues, as well as to his country and the Constitution.

The American Bar Association gave Judge Bork its highest rating -- "exceptionally well qualified" -- when he was confirmed by the Senate as an Appellate Judge in 1982. President Reagan is confident that the current Senate confirmation process will be equally successful and he looks forward to Judge Bork beginning a long and distinguished career as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Bette J. Buchanan
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September 29, 1987

Dear Ms. Jaskulka:

Thank you for sending your message to me.

You have no idea how helpful it is for me to hear directly from the American people. I will keep your words in mind.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Jane Jaskulka
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September 29, 1987

Dear Ms. Hobson:

Thank you for sending your message to me.

You have no idea how helpful it is for me to hear directly from the American people. I will keep your words in mind.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Debbie Hobson
709 Forestbrook Drive
Gastonia, NC 28054

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Spring:

Thank you for the material which you have thoughtfully sent to me.

With so much to be done here in Washington, I count on the help of the American people. I assure you that I will study this information and share it with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. John W. Spring
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Santa Ana, CA 92711

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Dear Mr. Rummel:

Thank you for the material which you have thoughtfully sent to me.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Roland R. Rummel
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Southland Building Products Company
Post Office Box 2219
Little Rock, AR 72203

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Russell:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. James B. Russell
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Dayton, OH 45406

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Hopkins:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

The enclosed photograph comes with my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Shane Hopkins
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Gosnells, Perth
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Enclosure: HHB auto photo

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Stuban:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

The enclosed photograph comes with my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Frank F. Stuban
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Seymour, Connecticut 06483

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With so much to be done here in Washington, I count on the help of the American people. I assure you that I will study this information and share it with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Felton Lawrence
Supreme Navigator Emeritus
Supreme General Assembly
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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. McCoach:

Thank you for the material which you have thoughtfully sent to me.

With so much to be done here in Washington, I count on the help of the American people. I assure you that I will study this information and share it with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Bruce McCoach
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Sun City, AZ 85351

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Szabo:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. John J. Szabo
1611 Lindley Drive
Prescott, AZ 86303

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Despain:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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Despain Investment Company
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Mediapolis, IA 52637

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Hooper:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Reid Hooper
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Greenville, NC 27834

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Vaughn:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. M. N. Vaughn, Jr.
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Walnut Creek Inn
1475 South Main Street
Walnut Creek, CA 94596

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September 29, 1987

Dear Mr. McGehee:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Frank T. McGehee
24 Pamela Drive
Little Rock, AR 72207

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September 29, 1987

Dear Ms. Hogan:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Kathleen Hogan
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San Jose, CA 95125

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September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Weiner:

Thank you for your message expressing concern about the status of Jo Ann Gasper, former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Population Affairs, and the Title X family planning program administered by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

On July 30 the President addressed a group of right to life leaders at the White House and discussed the initiatives he has directed Secretary of Health and Human Services Bowen to undertake. These steps will clarify the meaning of the abortion restriction governing Title X and will ensure that Federal funds are denied to any program that encourages, promotes, or advocates abortion; that counsels or refers clients for abortion; or that assists a woman in obtaining an abortion. The proposed regulations, which were published in the Federal Register on September 1, will also eliminate the bias in current policy that excludes pro-life organizations from eligibility for Title X funds. Mrs. Gasper continues to work with the Administration at the Department of Education, and her replacement at HHS, Nabers Cabaniss, is strongly committed to the implementation of these new initiatives.

The President shares your deep concern about the taking of human life by abortion, and he will continue to call for policies reflecting our nation's heritage of respect for the sanctity of innocent human life.

In light of your interest, I am enclosing a copy of the President's July 30 remarks.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Robert Weiner
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Maranatha Campus Ministries
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Gainesville, FL 32602

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September 30, 1987

Dear Penny:

Thank you for your letter recommending Dan McKinnon for appointment as the Secretary of Transportation.

I have brought your views and Mr. McKinnon's credentials to the attention of the Office of Presidential Personnel. Please be assured he will receive every consideration in the selection process for this important post.

Warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Clarence M. Pendleton, Jr.
Chairman
United States Commission on Civil Rights
Washington, D.C. 20425

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
Katja Bullock, with incoming

September 30, 1987

Dear Carol:

Thanks for your letter. I miss all of you also, but I'm keeping rather busy up here in Washington.

I am pleased to circulate your recommendation of Carl Savit for Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to the Office of Presidential Personnel. It's good to have the benefit of your views on this important post, and I want to assure you that he will receive every consideration.

I'm delighted that you are enjoying the suite. Best regards to all at the firm.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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3300 First City Tower
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Katja Bullock with incoming

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

The Administration will insist on removal of the Senate provision during the House-Senate conference on the trade bill. Contrary to the reported objectives of trade legislation, mandatory advance notice would make American industry less competitive, not more.

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. E. S. Johnson
Vice President
Emerson Motor
Division International
Emerson Electric Company
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St. Louis, MO 63136

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September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Enderson:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Earl B. Enderson
Senior Vice President, Marketing
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September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Seebach:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Bish:

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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President
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Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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September 30, 1987

Dear Ms. Merle:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Parham:

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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Plant Manager
Special Products Division
Emerson Electric Company
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Paris, Tennessee 38242

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#Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Murphy:

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Michael Murphy
Vice President
Electronics and Space Division
Emerson Electric Company
8100 West Florissant
St. Louis, MO 63136

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#Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Welde:

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Donald J. Welde
Senior Vice President
Electronics and Space Division
Emerson Electric Company
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St. Louis, MO 63136

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Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Bettcher:

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Thomas E. Bettcher
Vice President and
General Manager
Electronic Speed
Control Division
Emerson Electric Company
12301 Missouri Bottom Road
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#Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Adorjan:

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. J. J. Adorjan
Executive Vice President
Emerson Electric Company
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St. Louis, MO 63136

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#Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Kelly:

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Charles T. Kelly
Vice President, Industrial Relations
Emerson Motor Division
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St. Louis, MO 63136

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#Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Gifford:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

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Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. David O. Gifford
President
Emerson Motor Division
Emerson Electric Company
8100 West Florissant
St. Louis, MO 63136

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#Trade Bill

September 30, 1987

Dear Mr. Peters:

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Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Charles A. Peters
President
Harris Calorific Division
Emerson Electric Company
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